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**CT DDS Sponsored FREE Training**

**Targeted Audience:** Direct Service Staff, Supervisors, Case Managers

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**David Hingsburger**



Dave Hingsburger works providing direct service to people with intellectual disabilities. He is the Director of Clinical and Educational Services for Vita Community Living Services and a primary consultant for the Sexuality Clinic at York Simcoe Behavior Management Services. Dave also works in private practice as a consultant for schools, parents and agencies in a variety of areas regarding service provision to people with intellectual disabilities, focusing primarily on problematic sexual behavior, understanding problem behavior and abuse prevention. Dave has published over 30 books, has lost count of the number of articles he has had published in magazines, newspapers and journals. He has appeared a number of times on television as a “talking head” regarding disability issues. Dave wrote and narrated the controversial radio documentary “Life, Death and Disability” for the CBC.

Dave lectures extensively. He has given keynote presentations nationally and internationally. Educationally, Dave earned his B.A. in psychology at the University of Victoria in British Columbia, a certificate in Human Relations from Ryerson in Toronto, and his M.Ed. from the University of Toronto. In the fall of 2009, Dave was inducted into the Canadian Disability Hall of Fame.

**AM Session (9:00-12:00): If You Do That One More Time: Creating Caring Places That Support Positive Behavioral Approaches** Is it possible to reduce problem behavior by creating places of welcome and respect? This workshop suggests that how we interact with others determines how they interact with us. It also will suggest that ‘compassion’ is a set of skills not an emotion. This session is aimed at providing direct care providers with an understanding of behaviors in context. By developing a compassionate relationship, maintaining an objective stance when negative behaviors occur, and evaluating behavior as a means of communication, participants will learn how to better serve those in their care. Further, this workshop will outline several practical approaches that can lead to a reduction of problem behavior overall within an agency or within an individual’s sphere of influence. Session participants will also leave with a clear understanding of when and how they should report suspected abuse or neglect.

**PM Session: (1:00-4:00) 5 Things You Really Need To Know About Intellectual Disability**  
We all know that people with physical disabilities often need ramps – that makes sense. But what about ‘cognitive ramping’ – what about the idea of adapting the environment and even your approach to maximize success? By understanding what ‘intellectual disability’ means in terms of everyday interactions and in terms of learning, staff can develop approaches that work or patience that comes from understanding. This workshop is highly practical and those attending will leave with ideas for how to better serve those in their care.

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